

Columbus awarded \$1 million housing grant

Rebecca M. Waggoner

The Columbus City Council held its monthly meeting on June 1, 2015, at the Columbus City Hall. All council members were present, along with Columbus Mayor Kay Ferguson; City Attorney Mary Potter; Community Development Block (CDBG) Grant Consultant Martha Campbell; Jennifer

Walker, Executive Director of the Purchase Area Development District (PADD), as well as numerous residents from the community.

After council approval of the May meeting minutes, Mayor Kay Ferguson discussed the city's quest to find an exterminator for the Columbus City Hall. The City Hall building is suffering damage from termites and is seeking

immediate attention to this issue. Missy Griffith, City Clerk, received several quotes from local pest control companies for an initial extermination fee and yearly maintenance of the building. After careful review of the quotes, the council unanimously voted to use Servall Termite & Pest Control, for this service. Servall's quote was significantly cheaper than the other

three contenders, coming in at a \$400 extermination fee, and \$75 for yearly maintenance.

Right after the May Finances were approved, the council began to discuss new business. Mayor Kay Ferguson gave a reading of the City of Columbus Budget Ordinance for FY 2015-16. The budget consisted of the General, Water, Road and Community

Development Block Grant funds. Since this was the first reading of the budget, there was no voting required during this meeting, but the council did set a date for a "Special-Called" council meeting, at which there will be a second reading and approval of the FY 2015-16 Budget Ordinance.

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Curtsinger hopes to produce wine commercially soon

Daniel Richardson
and Charlotte Smith

Tom Curtsinger, of Graves County, has developed a hobby of defying expectations. Several years ago, Curtsinger and a friend noticed that wineries were growing in popularity. They visited one to see what the attraction was, and were hooked.

"Some people want to go to a bar filled with smoke and loud music and a good fight now and then," Curtsinger told Clinton Rotarians when he visited on Wednesday, May 27, as a guest of Bruce Kimbell. "Then there are those that just want to relax and enjoy each other's company in a quiet setting, where you can hear each other talk." Curtsinger said wineries fill this void by providing a quiet, somewhat secluded location where visitors can come and try different types of wines, listen to quiet music, and get away from some of the noise that fills their life.

Having an agricultural background, Curtsinger fell naturally in step with growing grapes when he started Fancy Farm Vineyard and Winery, even defying the "experts" advice and expectations.

"I've been growing the grapes that the experts say you can't grow in western Kentucky for the past eight years," he said. With six acres of grapes growing on his farm, Curtsinger grows Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Chardonnay, Malbec, Riesling, and other varieties of grapes.

Wineries are not new to this area, Purple Toad Winery is located on the edge of Paducah, where they invite you to come see where Kentucky grapes are turned into award winning wines, from sweet to dry and from Chardonnay to Cabernet Sauvignon.

In 1980 Paul Laine and Attorney Joe Johnson opened up Laine Vineyards and Winery, Inc. It was located on Middle Road by Palestine Church. Paul Laine passed away in 2004.

Curtsinger said that in a good year, the vineyard yields five tons of grapes per acre, enough to make

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Photos by Daniel Richardson

RELAY FOR LIFE HELD ON COURT SQUARE

Hickman County Relay for Life held their annual Relay event Friday night, June 5, on the court square in Clinton. The event, previously held at the walking track behind Hickman County High School, was more successful this year with the new venue and increased visibility. Friday night's event raised almost \$7,500 for cancer research, according to Hickman County Relay for Life Chairwoman Suzette Reeves, and almost \$20,000 was raised by Hickman County Relay for Life this year. This money goes primarily to fund cancer research, but some stays within the region to help local cancer patients cope with the financial burden of a cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Shown at top left, registered cancer survivors kicked off the event with the Survivors Lap. Leading the way were, from left, Kenny Ward, Jerry Laceywell, Howard Dillard, and Harold Jackson. At top right, Relay for Life Chairwoman Suzette Reeves addresses the audience. At lower right, Relay committee member Brittney Kimbell embraces her aunt, Paggy Farmer, during the Survivor Recognition ceremony. At lower right, David Strange smiles as he places bids during the cake auction. Others shown include Wilson and Betty Workman, Jacob Paul, Allie Thomas, Ellie Davis, and Lori Davis. See more photos on page 8.



NEW SIGN - After their former sign was damaged from severe weather over the winter, the Hickman County Memorial Library and Clinton Woman's Club has a new sign. Tom and Jan Quimby designed the sign.



CELEBRATING JOBS - Several elected officials, from both Hickman County and Fulton County, attended a ceremony with Governor Steve Beshear last week in Fulton. The Governor made a visit to the area to celebrate the winning of the "Governor's Cup", which is a national honor bestowed by Site Selection Magazine for industry recruitment and expansion. Joining Beshear with the "Governor's Cup" is (l-r), Fulton County Magistrate James Black, Fulton County Magistrate Bro. Henry Callison, Clinton City Councilman and Hickman County Economic Development Authority Boardmember Howard Dillard, State Representative Steven Rudy, Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy, Hickman Mayor David Lattus, Governor Beshear, Fulton Mayor David Prater, Clinton Mayor Phyllis Campbell, Hickman County Judge-Executive Kenny Wilson, State Senator Stan Humphries and Fulton County Judge-Executive Jim Martin. See story on page 2. (Photo by Charles Choate)

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BUNCO BABES DONATE \$750 TO MISSION HOUSE

The Bunco Babes consists of sixteen women who play Bunco on the first Wednesday of each month. The group was formed in 1998 and still has several of its original members. In the past the girls have traveled to places such as Las Vegas and Cozumel, but this month they met at the home of Sherry Roberts with a much more

serious intent. Each member brought one or two items (new or used) to auction off to each other with the sole purpose of making a contribution to a good cause in our community. When the night was over, they were all pleased to discover they had collected \$750 for the Hickman County Mission House!

Gov. Beshear visits area, applauds economic development

Benita Fuzzell

Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear compared his recent visit to Fulton to University of Kentucky Coach John Calipari’s journey across the Commonwealth to allow Wildcat fans the opportunity to share in the NCAA Championship with the coaching staff and team.

Introduced by Fulton County Hickman County Economic Development Executive Director Eddie Crittenden June 4 at downtown Fulton’s Pontotoc Park Community Center, Gov. Beshear displayed the award recently earned and presented to him by Site Selection Magazine, whereby Kentucky was named number one as to ratings of states with capital investments of at least \$1 million.

“This award is not based on potential, or popularity,” the Governor said, adding “it is based on actual, tangible, development.”

“We are seeing more economic development per capita than any other state,” he said.

He sited more than 350 new industries which had evolved and expanded in Kentucky, \$3.7 billion in investments and 15,000 new jobs, the most business investments since figures were first documented approximately 30 years ago.

Gov. Beshear noted Site



TALKING JOBS - Former Hickman County Judge-Executive and current director of Hickman County Economic Development Authority, Inc. Greg Pruitt speaks during a ceremony last week in Fulton, in which Governor Steve Beshear honored the area for their efforts in job recruitment and expansion. Pruitt serves as the Vice-Chairman of the Hickman County-Fulton County Economic Development Partnership, and spoke to the crowd about the Governor’s dedication to jobs, and the bright future for new industry in the two county’s.

Selection Magazine named the region, which includes Fulton County in Kentucky and Obion County in Tennessee as a region among the top micropolitan regions in regard to new projects and expansions.

“You helped us win it by being in the trenches, creating jobs, expanding existing industry, you made a place where companies want to come,” the Governor told the crowd of approximately 100, which included local elected

officials from Fulton, Hickman, Fulton County and Hickman County as well as members of the Fulton Railroaders Baseball team, who presented the visiting dignitary with an autographed baseball.

Stan Humphries, First District Senator for the State of Kentucky, First District State Representative Steven Rudy, Fulton County Judge-Executive Jim Martin, former Hickman County Judge-Executive and current chairman

of the FCHCEDP board Greg Pruitt, Hickman Mayor David Lattus and Fulton Mayor David Prater welcomed guests and the Governor, equally crediting the local officials, workforce and citizens for their part in garnering the Governors’ Cup.

In referring to economic development and the securing of new industry in the area, Judge Executive Jim Martin stated “Bring us the prospects and we will close the sale....”

District Court Report

The following cases were heard before the Hon. Hunter B. Whitesell II during Hickman County District Court on 06/08/15. This is not an official docket.

Kim Leigh Bell. TBUT or Disp. Auto - \$500 Or More But U/\$10,000. Pleaded not guilty. Preliminary hearing set for 6/22/15.

Rachel A. Bullington. Speeding 18 Mph. Over Limit. To enter CATS program. Failure to Produce Insurance Card. Dismiss on proof.

Jamale A. Haynes. TBUT All Others \$500 or More But U/\$10,000. Criminal Trespassing – 3rd Degree. Pleaded not guilty. Preliminary hearing set for 6/22/15.

Danette Humphreys. Harassment-No Physical Contact. Pleaded not guilty. Pretrial Conference set for 6/22/15.

Thomas O’Daniel. Speeding 15 Mph. Over Limit. Pleaded guilty. \$30 fine, suspended. Operating Vehicle With Expired Operators License. Dismiss on proof. No/Expired Registration Plates. Pleaded guilty. \$25 fine, suspend on proof.

Savannah J. Sublette. Speeding 15 Mph. Over Limit. Dismiss.

Ryan C Tate. Speeding 11 Mph. Over Limit. FTA.

Richard Keith Thomas. Speeding 15 Mph. Over Limit. To enter CATS program.

Jessica Conner. Review diversion. In compliance.

Norman C. Davis. Review diversion. In compliance.

Samuel W. Denton. Review for completion of CATS program. Dismiss speeding charge.

Relma J. Edmaiston. Review for compliance. In compliance.

Ryan K. Embrey. Review for completion of CATS program. Dismiss speeding charge.

James Paul Kerney. Review for completion of CATS program. Dismiss speeding charge.

Brooke Bodkin. Pretrial Conference. Possible CATS participant. To enter CATS program.

Evelyn Jean Bruce. Pretrial Conference. Continue to 7/13/15 for lab results.

Kevin M. Carr. Continue Pretrial Conference to 6/22/15.

Joshua Crawford. Continue

Pretrial Conference to 6/22/15.

Norman C. Davis. Pretrial Conference. Possession of Marijuana. Drug Paraphernalia-Buy/Possess. 45 days (concurrent), conditionally discharged two years. To have no further offenses for two years.

Tracey Marie Davis-Miner.

Pretrial Conference continued one week to 6/15/15.

Ronnie R. Gray. Pretrial Conference. Assault 4th Degree Domesite Violence Minor Injury. Contempt of Court. Diverted for six months. To have no further offenses. Review 12/7/15.

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The council’s special-called meeting will be Monday, June 8th at 5 p.m., at the Columbus City Hall.

Martha Campbell, CDGB Consultant, further discussed the Community Development Block Grant for the City of Columbus. According to Campbell, the city has been awarded \$1,000,000.00 for the rebuilding, or rehabilitation of homes within the city limits. Campbell anticipates the entire project will be complete in 18-24 months, providing much needed improvements to 13 homes. Campbell also answered questions about the homeowner selection process and how funds will be determined per home. Campbell expressed how lucky she feels the City of Columbus is, to have been chosen to receive \$1,000,000 in the housing grant. “I think we were very fortunate to have received these funds,” said Campbell, also mentioning the state of Kentucky received only three million dollars for housing, one of which is now allocated for the city of Columbus.

The city of Columbus was required to implement numerous resolutions/plans, as part of the Community Development Block Grant. The city passed the following:

- Resolution of Acceptance of Funds
- An Authorizing Resolution, authorizing Mayor Ferguson to execute contractual agreements on behalf of the City of Columbus
- A Procurement Policy
- A Grievance Procedure on discrimination towards any handicapped individuals within the city of Columbus
- Drug-Free Workplace Act/ Drug and Alcohol Policy
- Affirmative Action Plan
- Residential Anti-Displacement Plan, and
- Prohibited Housing Discrimination Plan/Equal Housing Opportunity.

In other business, Mayor Ferguson asked local residents if they had any questions or concerns. Local residents discussed the upkeep of local properties and the violation of Columbus city ordinance, concerning the property’s lawn/tree maintenance. The council

received word that progress was underway to increase the properties’ curb-appeal, on two of the properties in violation.

Columbus Fire Chief James Bruer, asked the council if it would be interested in co-renting a large dumpster for the residents of Columbus to use to help clean-up city properties. The chief said the city of Arlington had provided this service for its residents before, and it was a great success. Bruer stated he would present this idea to his Board of Directors, as well. Upon approval from his board, he will return to the city council, for further discussion.

Jennifer Walker, Executive Director of the Purchase Area Development District (PADD), was present at the meeting as well. Jennifer greeted everyone on behalf of the PADD, and said she is very interested in the city of Columbus, and would be willing to help the city in any way she can.

At the close of the meeting, resident Neal Henley asked if there had been any more discussion about building a youth park on the property where the current basketball court sits, in front of the Columbus Fire Department. The suggestion for this project was to see if the county would build the park and provide future maintenance for the property. This endeavor would require the city to deed the property to Hickman County, an idea not favored by the Mayor, or city council members. Several members said they had talked with other local residents, and most did not like the idea. Council member Kim Ferguson was not completely sold on the idea, since the state park was just down the street. Henley went on to explain the need for at least a new ball court and pavilion and mentioned the volume of youth who are on his property, daily, and how he felt the park would benefit the youth. Mayor Ferguson said she had rather keep the property in the city’s possession, and if it were ever given away, she would rather see it go to the Columbus Fire Department. No further discussion or action was taken on this subject.

Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC
Notice of Election
Annual Meeting, June 23, 2015
Hickman County Elementary School
Registration begins at 4:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 5.1 of the By-Laws of the Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC, the Secretary hereby provides notice regarding the candidates for the Board Election that will be held during the 2015 Annual Meeting. The following three candidates will be on the ballot at the Annual Meeting:

District #1	Sammy Todd 1797 State Route 1022E Bardwell, KY 42023 Nominated by the Advisory Board
District #4	Ralph Wayne Adams 3120 State Route 11295 Hickman, KY 42050 Nominated by the Advisory Board
	Barry Joe Jackson 596 Noonan Lane Hickman, KY 42050 Challenger

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NEWS

A new, old book

Lisa and I are reading a book together which has a few chapters outlining the plight of a newspaper owner and the situations he faces in day-to-day operations. Being newspaper owners, these chapters are especially interesting.

MY VIEW



DENNIS RICHARDSON

One situation is whether or not to report on a prizefight that a lot of people are interested in. This is a seven-day-daily newspaper and if it does not report on the prizefight then a lot of people would be upset. Well, the newspaper did not report on it and he received a lot of complaints. Some cancelled their subscriptions. Another issue he faced was whether to continue printing a Sunday edition or not. The Sunday edition was one of the most profitable but he was perplexed about what to do. Most Sunday editions are finished on

Saturday nights in time to be printed and delivered about the time the roosters crow. The book “In His Steps” asks “What Would Jesus Do?” In other words, would Jesus publish a newspaper on a Sunday? Wrestling with this question presented a dilemma to this owner. Changes brought on much dissent among long-time employees. After all, they worried that changes like these may bankrupt the newspaper and their jobs would fly out the window.

There are a lot of scenarios that have presented themselves to us over the past three decades plus that we have owned newspapers. We do not have deep pockets, just a sincere desire to publish a clean, timely newspaper, one that follows the Rotary Four-Way Test (is it the truth, is it fair to all concerned, will it build good will and better friendships and will it be beneficial to all concerned?).

Some issues are “no-brainers” like (these that are true scenarios) whether or not to carry advertising for strip clubs, but others are a bit grey, like whether or not to publish property transfers, and if we do, do we list the sale price?

Should a community newspaper publish DUI offenses? Or what about only the third or fourth offenses? We get calls from people who say their grandparents will have heart attacks if they read this in the newspaper, or they stand to lose their jobs if the employer finds out.

We struggle with whether or not we should publish liquor advertisements or cigarette advertisements. And if so, should we do so but just not display pictures and pricing? Some places skirt the issue by advertising “cold beverages”. One establishment removed the word Saloon from part of its name at our request and we continued to carry advertising for the menu items.

The book, written in the 1800s, is interesting and goes down the list of other businesses and the decisions they must make.

We are not halfway through the book yet and already have begun to rethink a few things.

As we do so, we welcome reader input on our news and advertising content. What say ye?



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to bring to attention the Board of Directors at Hickman-Fulton RECC (HFRECC) for keeping the membership so informed. Especially about how the IRS 990 forms that have to be filed by a non-profit organization such as HFRECC, WKRECC, and GEMC.

These IRS Forms shows salaries for:
HFRECC: CEO Grissom – 2,700 members - \$146,355
WKRECC: CEO Smart – 38,000 members - \$186,578
GEMC: CEO Rodamaker – 35,000 members - \$254,508

YES, THAT’S RIGHT, I’M POSITIVE! 2,700 members Mr. Grissom being highly thought of while little about the owner/members that pay these salaries.

I know this will make some mad and sicken others, hopefully to the point of removing ALL the Directors of HFRECC. It only takes 300 members to sign a petition and ALL can be removed and replaced in one special called meeting.

Barry Joe Jackson
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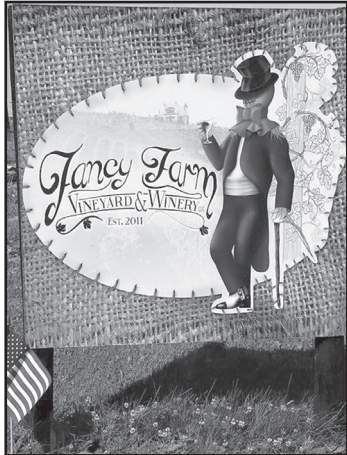
Tom Curtsinger, left, visited with the Clinton Rotary Club on May 27, as a guest of Bruce Kimbell, right.

Curtsinger

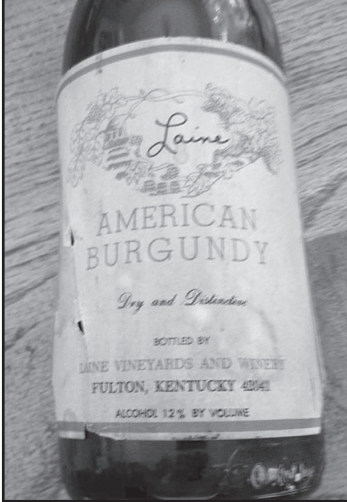
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about 1,000 gallons of wine, or 5,000 bottles. To help harvest the grapes in the fall, he hosts picking parties, where friends come and help pick grapes in return for some good food and fellowship.

Curtsinger is still in the amateur level of the wine-making business. He’s waiting on final approval and his license to come through from federal regulators so that he can sell his wine to wholesale distributors.



The sign at Fancy Farm Vineyard and Winery.



A bottle of American Burgundy from Laine Vineyard and Winery in Fulton.

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2. Sealed bids for steel corrugated pipe and bituminous coated corrugated steel pipe, all sizes, 12 inches and up (for individual pipe if required) and such price to include delivery to Hickman County.
3. Sealed bids for aluminum corrugated pipe, all sizes, 12 inches and up (for individual pipe if required) and such price to include delivery to Hickman County. Delivery to Hickman County Road Department or work site location anywhere in Hickman County is required within 24 hours of placement of order of any size. Bidder also agrees to sell product to any landowner upon whom the county is conducting the pipe installation at the same price county would be required to pay.
4. Sealed bids for gasoline that exceeds 92 octane and first grade diesel fuel at the bidder’s pumps for use in county trucks and graders and other heavy equipment.
5. Sealed bids for motor oil, in quart sizes for trucks and diesel burning equipment.
6. Sealed bids for red gravel, No. 9M crushed limestone, dense grade aggregate, camden rock, and rip rap. Bids will be furnished with conditions as follows:
 - a. Price per ton delivered F.O.B. to the Hickman County Road Department.
 - b. Price per ton pick-up at plant.
 - c. Price per ton for delivering from Vulcan, Mid-South, Hickman-Fulton CountyRiverport and any other destination any supplier/trucker can locate the rock as described above.
7. Sealed bids for creosote and other wooden products that are useable for bridge and box culvert construction.

Bids are for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016. Said bids will be received in the office of the Hickman County Judge/Executive up to 4:00 p.m. June 19, 2015 at 116 S. Jefferson Street, Clinton, KY 42031, and bids will be opened and read at the fiscal court meeting on June 25, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. According to KRS 45A.365, said award will go to the lowest evaluated bid price received. Hickman County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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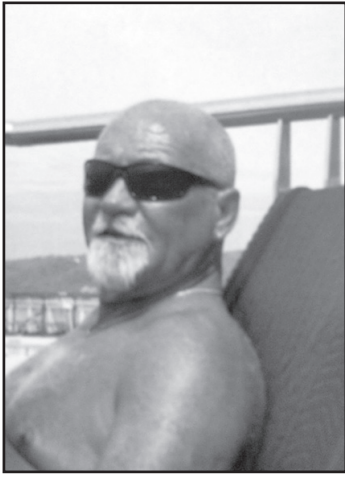
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Community News

Area Obituaries



Steve Ward

Steven Ward

Steven “Froggy” Wray Ward, age 56 of Grand Rivers, Ky. died at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at his home.

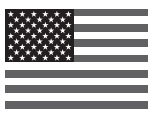
He was a member of Clinton First Baptist Church and was an equipment operator with Local 181.

He is survived by his wife, Jamie Colleen Romero Ward of Grand Rivers; Son Trevor Ward of Clinton; Grandson Chance Ward; Daughter, Lacey (Tony) Perez of Hickman; Grandchildren, Jaklynn Perez and Antonia Perez, Jr; Son, Zach Turner of Hickman, KY; Son, JT (Sherry) Turner of Greenfield, TN; Grandchildren, AJ, Sherri, Kyleigh and Haleigh Turner; Son, David (Michelle) Romero of Clinton; Grandchildren Mercedes Rosas, Brendon Rosas and Paisley Romero; Aunt, Emarea Hixon of Bardwell and Cousins, Kelly Kirchgessner of Albuquerque, NM, Karen Evans of Louisville, Ky. and Allison Garnett of Bardwell, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wray and Sylvia Yates Ward.

Funeral Services were at 7 p.m. Friday, May 29, at Brown Funeral Home in Clinton with Irvin Stroud officiating. Donations: Hickman County FFA, c/o Hickman County High School, 301 James H. Phillips Drive, Clinton, KY 42031.

Charles Wilkins

 Charles Thomas Wilkins, 92, of Lenexa, Kan., formerly of Hickman County, Ky., died Friday, June 5, 2015 at the Lakeview Village Care Center in Lenexa.

He was born July 30, 1922 in Clinton, Ky. and lived in Hickman County until 1955. He is Hazel Whitlock’s younger brother and was a partner in the A&W Grocery in Fulgham with Sam R. Armbruster, Jr. He retired in 1990 after working many years in the grocery business, mostly in sales, chiefly with Libby foods. He was a member of Lenixa United Methodist Church and a veteran of the US Coast Guard, aboard the USS Cavalier during WWII.

Surviving are his wife, Anna “Tillie” Wilkins; one daughter, Debbie (Mike) Ryan of Lenexa; one son, Tom (Lisa) Wilkins of Tulsa, Okla.; one sister, Hazel Whitlock of Clinton, Ky.; five grandchildren, Katie (Stephen Hardy) Ryan of Westwood Hills, Kan., Kevin Ryan of Reno, Nev., Erin Ryan of Stillwater, Okla., Dr. Jeremy Chastain of St. Louis, Mo. and David Wilkins of Tulsa; and two great-grandchildren, Olivia and Andrew Hardy.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Cecil Wilkins. His parents were E. Walter and Dessie Wilkins.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 10 at Lenexa United Methodist Church, with private family burial in Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Parkinson’s Foundation.

Amos Family Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Second Baptist Church News

By Teresa Walton Pearson

June 7

Brent Dublin gave the Sunday School devotion from Job 2: 1 - 7 And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movest me against him, to destroy him without cause. And Satan answered the Lord, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face. And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life. So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

God will let Satan tempt us to strengthen us. If we stand strong and faithful to God we will come out better in the end.

Allen Cox sang “ The Anchor Holds”

Bro. Dustin’s message was from 2 Peter 3: 3 - 9 The Lord is in Control. Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord

is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

There are things we can not control, but thing will work out better in the end for those who love God and seek His council. Bro. Dustin said God has a plan, so put your trust in Him.” God loves us and is longsuffering toward us. We are not perfect we all sin, but if you are a child of God you repent immediately and turn from your sin. If you live in continual sin and repent not, then you are not a child of God and need salvation. Salvation comes only through Jesus Christ.

Second Baptist will have Vacation Bible School June 22 - 26 from 6 - 8:30 pm.

Please pray for: Teen Garrison, Larry Cagle, Jim Schooley, Megan Grubbs, Hal Cannon, Thomas Dublin, Bro. Rocky James & Beverly, Dorothy Hoskins, Joseph Atkinson, Billy Lamb, Debbie Kilpatrick, Steven Turner II, Gilbert Nichols, Lee and Teresa Pearson, Steve Plummer, Joy Workman, James Grey, Helen Holmes, Josh Harpole, Josephine Shadwick, Mildred Morrison Eloise Harrison, Edna Roper, Mlke & Sherry Jones, Paul & Jackie Ballard, Ruth Jewell, Cheyenne Lomax, Jim Connell, Shirley Byassee, Dale Melton, Bud and Janie Martin, and Jennifer Jackson.

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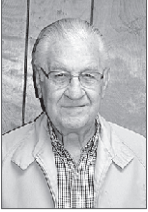
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Thought Provoking

I was sitting in my wife’s room at ICF (thank God we hope to be coming home Saturday) looking at a tree just outside the window. I think God’s creation is amazing and I love trees. The branches moved gently back and forth as the leaves fluttered lightly. I watched the sight for several minutes, nothing unusual, nothing I had not seen a thousand times, but just as wonderful, just as touching to the soul and spirit as ever it was.

The tree appeared to be alive. Actually, it is. It has plant life. But that mysterious movement, sometimes gentle, sometimes strong..it is the wind, the power of God. He who “gathers the wind in his fists” (Prov. 30:4). Then he directs it whithersoever he will.

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So with the believer. He moves and has his being as the Spirit of God (pneuma, Greek for both wind and spirit) moves him. The scriptures came by “holly men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit” (2Pet.1: 21). Then, “What, don’t you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit it that is in you, which you have of God” (that is, the believer in Jesus) 1Cor. 6:19.

Isn’t it strange we go for long periods of time, perhaps days, and never realize, are aware, consult or consider the presence of the Spirit in us? We ignore his conviction and cleansing, his power and purpose for our lives.

I preach a sermon, “The Most Mistreated Person In Church.” You guessed rightly, it’s the Holy Spirit. Would anyone argue that might also be true of every individual Christian? Mistreating the Holy Spirit. More pointed; what of your life? Mine?

Beelerton Buzz

By Tammy Byrd

Greetings to all: Sunny days are most welcomed following the rainy ones we had. The farmers are busy with planting and soon to be wheat harvest. Happy birthday wishes to a friend and classmate of mine, Melba Ingram Turner on the 8, James Turner, Charlene Sugg, and Tanner Hicks(my nephew happy 15) on the 10, Andrew Ferguson on the 11, Kim East on the 12, and to James N Vaughn on the 13. Happy anniversary wishes to Ronnie and Maggie Brockwell and to Joe and Denise McWhorter on the 9th. Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 14, homecoming services at New Bethel Church with Bro. Doug Cruse preaching and the Joylanders singing in the afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend. VBS at New Bethel Church will be from June 22 through 26, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The theme is Journey off the Map for ages preschool

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Prayer concerns include are nation and leaders, our sister churches and pastors, those traveling on vacation, the sick, the nursing home residents, our youth, and our military. I hope everyone has a blessed week.

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church News

By Wanda Powell

On May 31 New Hope Baptist Church celebrated Youth Day. Noah Ferguson read from Proverbs 14:26, “In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence. And his children shall have a place of refuge. Andrew Ferguson led the congregation in singing “There is Power in the Blood,” “Oh How I Love Jesus” and “What a Day That Will be.” Paul Ferguson played the song

“Nothing But the Blood of Jesus” on his violin. Everyone enjoyed his violin playing.

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Pray for those who are in nursing homes, Teresa Ferguson, Mary Burpo and Ernie Ferguson. Pray for Mildred Harrison, Sissy, Cheyenne Lomax, Shelley Ferguson and Chris Buckingham, also for our missionaries as they spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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Every Monday:

• AA meets at 8 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Clinton.

Second Monday:

• Library Board meets the second Monday at the library at 4.
• **The Hickman Co. Arts Council** will meet the fourth Monday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Young Center. The public is invited to attend. www.hickmancoarts.com.

Every Wednesday:

• 7 a.m.- Community Prayer Service at First United Methodist Church.

• **The Hickman Co. Museum** is open every Wednesday from 1 - 4 p.m..

• **Hickman Co. Memorial Library** Open Tuesday through Friday from 2-5 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

• **Clinton City Council** meets first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at Clinton City Hall and **Columbus City Council** meets at 6 p.m., the first Monday of the month at Columbus City Hall.

• **The Hickman County Board of Education** will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, in the Board of Education

office located at 416 Waterfield Drive, Clinton, KY, to transact routine business.

• **The Mission House** is open Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and first Saturday of the month.

• **The Hickman Co. Historical and Genealogical Society Center** is open Wednesday & Saturdays from 1-4 p.m. For appointment, call LaDonna Latham at 653-4190 or Norma Gene Humphreys at 653-6208

• **Hickman County Fiscal Court** will meet June 25 in the County Judge Executive office.

• **Wesley United Methodist Church** will have their monthly breakfast the last Saturday of each month 6:30 to 8:30 a.m.

• **“CLASS OF 85”** Reunion on June 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Angela Zetter’s Farm.

Bring appetizer. Call 270-251-0812 or message me on Facebook for address.

The annual Hopkins family reunion will be Saturday, June 20 at Majestic Family Restaurant in Mayfield at noon. All descendants of Mordie, Gordie and Fred Hopkins are welcome. For more information call Carol Hopkins at 618-645-2905.

Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church in Oakton, Ky. will have Vacation Bible School June 8 – 12 at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Youth Celebration will be Sunday, June 14 at 3 p.m. at the church. Lunch at 1:30 p.m. The speaker will be Pastor Alex Thomas from Smith Temple in Mayfield, Ky.

Pastor Anthony Johnson, Sr.



Pictured are the members of the 2015 Fulton Railroaders baseball team. They are, front row (left to right): John Anderson, Carlos Williams, Tyler Hilton, Greg Casper, Colton Aldridge, Kyle Estand, Clay Reece, Justin Hayden, Brad Baldwin, Drew Greenwood, Kyle Ward, and Bat Boy Kire Tribble. Back row (left to right): Pitching Coach Tyler Saltsman, Logan Parrett, Trey Tigart, Chandler Amason, Jacob Elliott, Lucas Eliason, Lee Haeberle, Dillon Symon, Charlie Hecht, Kyle Uhrich, Griffin Neuer, Eddie Mathis, Kipp Moore, Clayton Conner, and Head Coach Mikee Moore. Not pictured are: A. J. Childerson, and Zac Wiley.

Railroaders’ second wind not enough against Bombers

David Whitesell

The Fulton Railroaders continued their 2015 OVL season this past week with games against Owensboro, Madisonville, Dubois County, and Hopkinsville. The Railroaders fended off the Miners in a home game Wednesday evening, but dropped the other three contests for the week, thereby lowering their record to 4 – 3 after starting the season with a 3 – 0 record.

Fulton hosted the Dubois County Bombers Thursday evening after losing their first game of the season to Owensboro, and placing a second win over the Miners. The Railroaders entered in to the Jun. 4 contest with a 4 – 1 record—having already defeated the Bombers in the previous week—but found themselves struggling offensively against a team that refused to commit any errors for the majority of the competition.

Charlie Hecht (#17) was a powerful presence on the mound for Fulton Thursday. The Georgia College and State University pitcher started and threw seven innings for the Railroaders, during which he gave up four hits and no earned runs. The top of the first came and went with Hecht striking out one Bomber, and forcing ground outs to Drew Greenwood (#13) at short stop, and to Kyle Uhrich (#21) at first.

Fulton’s first inning offensive performance was only slightly better than Dubois’ as the Railroaders placed but one hit, a double from Clay Reece (#2), who played in the outfield for Fulton Thursday evening.

The game remained gridlocked as Hecht battled against Ryan Dills of Dubois County, the visiting starting pitcher who threw seven strikeouts in five innings while allowing but three hits during his time on the mound.

Hecht struckout the first Bomber in the top of the second and forced back-to-back ground outs to Fulton’s first baseman, Uhrich. The Railroaders responded with two struckout batters and a groundout tap



Kyle Uhrich (#21) tags out a Bomber on his way to first during Fulton’s one-run loss to Dubois County Jun. 4.

from Clayton Conner (#25).

Dubois County secured a lone hit in the third, a single in to centerfield, while Hecht again struckout one batter and forced two more groundouts.

The Railroaders built some offensive momentum in the bottom of the third via the bottom of their lineup. Colton Aldridge (#11) connected for a single in to centerfield, and then John Anderson (#19) batted Aldridge forward with a sacrifice bunt; unfortunately, Brad Baldwin (#3)—who was having an off night at the plate—struckout, and the following Railroader grounded out to close the third with both teams still scoreless.

Railroader fielding saved the day in the top of the fourth. The Bombers’ Nick Gobert cracked a linedrive near third base that would have been a solid single or double had Jacob Elliott (#8) not made a leaping catch. The order closed with Anderson catching a foul ball.

Fulton again made a solid attempt at scoring in the fourth. Kipp Moore (#15) led off by being walked, and then Uhrich pelted a single. The next batter grounded out, and he was followed by a groundout hit from Conner that fed a double play to close the fourth.

A pair of Fulton fielding

errors allowed the contest to shift in to the Bombers’ favor in the top of the fifth. Hecht struckout the first Bomber, and the next batter connected for a single that breezed between second and third. Reece made a catch to put two outs on the board with one runner on first, and then Mark Giesler pelted a single to give the Bombers two runners on base.

Devyn Newberry of Dubois County followed with what should have been a groundout hit to close the drive, but a dropped catch by Fulton’s first baseman gave up the single and an RBI. The following Bomber also should have grounded out, but another Railroader error allowed for another single on error for the Bombers’ second run of the game. The drive finally ended with Elliott making a catch near third.

The 0 – 2 score in the Bombers’ favor held going in to the ninth, at which point some pitching changes allowed both teams to attempt a final effort at placing some runs.

Dubois County began the ninth against Fulton’s Logan Parrett (#14), who began his time on the mound in the eighth inning by striking out three of four Bomber batters. Parrett hit the first batter of the ninth, who was then thrown out on his way to second via a fielder’s choice single. Another Bomber hit put two runners on base, and then a triple from a Railroader fielding error allowed both runners to score to give Dubois County a four-run lead.

Mound duty was swapped to Kyle Ward (#6) at this point, and he promptly struckout the first Bomber he faced. Ward then allowed an RBI-producing single to make the score 0 – 5 for the Bombers, but the Dubois player who placed the hit was thrown out when trying to steal second.

The Railroaders, who had not posted a single run in eight innings of action, faced a 0 – 5 score going in to the bottom of

the ninth.

Greenwood began the order by grounding out, and he was followed by a single from Carlos Williams (#7) on a Bomber error. Tyler Hilton (#12)—a University of Tennessee at Martin player—cracked a double to give Fulton runners on second and third. Baldwin then rose to the challenge by securing a single for two RBIs to make the score 2 – 5 with one out on the board.

A single from Reece over third base gave Fulton two more runners on base, and both Baldwin and Reece went on to steal their way to third and second, which ultimately led to Baldwin scoring off of a single from Moore.

The Bombers’ swapped pitchers one last time in an effort to not lose a game after having a five-run lead, but the crowd was stunned when Uhrich popped a single on the first throw from this new pitcher that allowed Reece to score, making the score 4 – 5 with one out on the board, and two runners on the corners.

Lucas Eliason (#1) stepped up to the plate and struckout to put two outs on the board, and then Conner connected for a hit, but the ball was quickly fielded by the Bomber infield and the game ended with a final score of 4 – 5 in Dubois’ favor.

Uhrich had the best game offensively for Fulton. The first baseman recorded four hits on five trips and one RBI. Hecht threw six strikeouts in seven innings and allowed no earned runs. What ultimately cost Fulton this home game were the three fielding errors, all of which resulted in Bomber runs.

The Railroaders will continue their season with games on the road Jun. 9, 10, and 11 at Madisonville, Dubois County, and Hopkinsville respectively. Fulton will then host Owensboro, Madisonville, and Dubois County Jun. 13, 14, and 15 for a series of weekend home games.

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Fulton Co. Genealogical Society to meet June 18

The Fulton County Genealogical Society will meet on June 18, at 11:15 at the Keg Restaurant in Fulton.

A buffet will be served. The cost is \$9.00 per person, that includes tax and a dollar tip for the waitress. It will make it much easier on the Treasurer if you pay by check. Last month's buffet was very delicious. Please call Joan at [731-479-9726] or email [jliving11@yahoo.com] by June 16th Tuesday to let her know if you are going to eat the buffet.

Our speaker will be Emily Adkin who writes for the Hometown Magazine. Emily is calling her topic "Tombstone Tales: How cemeteries can help in family history research." Mrs. Adkins says that she has gotten significant clues from tombstone inscriptions and a few laughs from them as well.

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Tom Pyron grills up some burgers, hot dogs, and shrimp skewers at the Clinton First United Methodist Church booth Friday night at the annual Relay for Life event.



Katelin Workman sings during the Survivor Lap.



Terry English serves as auctioneer during the cake auction while Brittney Kimbell points out the bids.



FFA students helped with Lumnarias for the event. Shown from left are Evan Jackson, Dallas Patey, Jacob Stahr, Levi Dillon, Autumn Dillon, Houston Holder, and Emily Cooley.



Charlie Waldon, 5, climbs over an obstacle in the bump 'n' jump that was available for Children Friday night.



Q & A Session kept relayers going with good music.



RELAY FOR LIFE



American Cancer Society



Relay committee member Tonia Batts laughs as Harold Jackson approaches for the Survivor Recognition Ceremony.

Community Day at the Park

Saturday June 13, 2015

CAMPGROUND YARD SALE

NATURE HIKE 10:00 AM SHELTER C

ORGANIC GARDENING DEMONSTRATION

At 10:00 AM in SHELTER B

REPTILE SHOW 11:00 AM SHELTER C

MUSIC BY THE JAMMERZ AT NOON

GROUP RATE ON MUSEUM AND MINI GOLF (\$2)

MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT 1:30

(16 & UNDER-\$2.00 ENTRY)





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CAMPGROUND YARD SALE

JUNE 12-14

SET UP ON CAMPSITES

VISITORS WELCOME 8:00-12:00 ON SATURDAY

PARKING BY MAINTENANCE SHOP—LOOK FOR SIGNS